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SUBJECT: VISIT MOROCCAN PTT MINISTER

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1. DURING MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, FOLLOWING RETURN FROM VACATION, PTT MINISTER GENERAL DRISS BEN AOMAR EL ALAMI EXPRESSED PLEASURE AT INVITATION (DELIVERED TO HIM BY HIS CHEF DE CABINET DURING HOLIDAY) AND SAID HE IS LOOKING FORWARD TO TRIP.

2. ACCORDING TO DRISS, IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO BE AWAY DURING RAMADAN AND HIS OCTOBER CALENDAR ALREADY VERY HEAVY. HE IS NOW THINKING IN TERMS OF EARLY NOVEMBER VISIT.

3. WE WILL BE SEEING MINISTER AGAIN DURING NEXT FEW WEEKS TO DEVELOP BETTER FEEL FOR HOW HE WOULD LIKE HIS TIME TO BE SCHEDULED. FOR PRELIMINARY PLANNING PURPOSES, BELIEVE THIS DISTINGUISHED VISITOR SHOULD SPEND AT LEAST TWO OR THREE FULL DAYS IN WASHINGTON WHERE HE COULD USEFULLY MEET WITH FCC COMMISSIONER, COMSAT DIRECTOR, CHIEF OFFICIAL U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, PRESIDENT EXIMBANK, AND SENIOR COMMERCE AND STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS PRIOR TO INDUSTRY VISITS. RECOMMEND PLANS BEING MADE FOR LUNCHEON TO BE HOSTED BY APPROPRIATE SENIOR OFFICIAL. ON UNOFFICIAL SIDE, BELIEVE THOUGHT SHOULD BE GIVEN

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TO INCLUDING VISITS TO SOME BICENTENNIAL SITES,

POSSIBLY INCLUDING WILLIAMSBURG, PHILADELPHIA
AND BOSTON, PLUS APPROPRIATE CULTURAL EVENTS AT
KENNEDY CENTER OR IN NEW YORK.

4. WILL TRANSMIT MINISTER'S PREFERENCES ON PRIVATE
SECTOR CONTACTS.

5. ASSUME DELAY IN DEPARTURE INTO FY1976-77 PRESENTS
NO BUDGETARY PROBLEMS.ANDERSON

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